4. Issuance of single barrel rifles to Forest Rangers/ Deputy Rangers and Foresters

I. Govt. of West Bengal. Home Department's Order No. 4177-PL dated 5.5.1989

Government of West Bengal Home Department Police

ORDER

No. 4177-PL.

In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-clause(1) of clause (b) of section 45 of the Arms Act. 1959 (Act 54 of 1959), (hereinafter referred to as the said Act), read with the Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs, Notification vide GSR 1309 dated the 1st October, 1962, the Governor is hereby pleased to order that nothing in the said act shall apply to the acquisition, possession and transport of twenty single barrel rifles of .315 mm. bore with fifty rounds of ammunition for each, by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Government of West Bengal, for issuing them to the Forest Rangers/Deputy Rangers/Foresters for possession and carrying in the course of their duties as such Forest Rangers/Deputy Rangers/Foresters within the limits of (i) Buxa Tiger Reserve, (ii) Gorumara Sanctuary, (iii) Chapramari Sanctuary and (iv) Mahananda Wild Life Sanctuary, for self-protection and protection of wild life.

By order of the Governor,

Sd/-B. Dhar 5.5.89 Jt. Secy. to the Govt. of West Bengal

No. 4173(3)-PL.

Copy forwarded to the :

- 1. Forests Department of this Govt.
- 2. Director General & Inspector General of Police, West Bengal
- 3. Commissioner, Jalpaiguri Division for information.

Sd/-B. Dhar Jt. Secy. to the Govt. of West Bengal

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II. Govt. of West Bengal, Home Department's Order No. 7186-PL/PE/51-116/84 dated 22.08.1991 5

Government of West Bengal Home Department Police

ORDER

No. 7186-PL/PE/51-116/84

Dated, Calcutta, the 22nd August, 1991

In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-clause (1) of Clause (b) of section 45 of the Arms Act, 1959 (Act 54 of 1959), (hereinafter referred to as the said Act), read with Govt. of India, Ministry of Home Affairs, Notification vide GSR 1309 dated 1st October, 1962, the Governor is hereby pleased to order that nothing in the said Act shall apply to acquisition, possession and transport of three hundred and eleven single barrel rifles of .315 mm. bore with fifty rounds of ammunition for each by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Government of West Bengal, for issuing them to the Forest Rangers/Deputy Rangers/Foresters for possession and carrying in the course of their official duties as such Forest Rangers/Deputy Rangers/Foresters under the five territorial Forest Divisions viz. (1) Jalpaiguri Division (2) Baikunthapur Division (3) Buxa Division (4) Cooch Behar Division (5) Kurseong Division for self-protection and protection of wildlife subject to the conditions:

- (a) the D.F.O. should personally satisfy himself about the eligibility, age, physical fitness of the person to whom a rifle is issued.
- (b) such person should be put through some training course before being given a rifle (such training may be arranged by the DFO with the assistance of the local S.P., a minimum period of training of, say, 15 days being prescribed).
- (c) issue of rifles should be on absolute need basis.
- (d) a system of periodical physical check on such arms and ammunition by a gazetted officer of Forest Deptt. may be desired. This check may be done once in every three months, if not once a month.
- (e) a list of all such persons being issued with rifle should be maintained in the office of the D.F.O. a copy of which should be forwarded to the S.P. of the District.

By order of the Governor, Sd/-S.K. Mukherjee Jt. Secy. to the Govt. of West Bengal

No. 7186/1(3)-PL

Copy forwarded to the:

- 1. Forest Department of this Govt.
- 2. Director General and Inspector General of Police, West Bengal
- 3. Commissioner, Jalpaiguri Division, P.D. & Dist. Jalpaiguri for information.

Calcutta, The 22nd August, 1991

Jt. Secy. to the Govt. of West Bengal

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